Medication Aide – Adult Care Facility General Information

History

Medication Aides in adult care facilities operate under North Carolina rules and statutes for <u>adult</u> care homes.

Education Requirements

Anyone administering medications to residents in adult care homes, assisted living facilities or family care homes in North Carolina who is not authorized by occupational laws to administer medications must complete the medication aide training course for adult care facilities.

How To Complete A Training Course

Click <u>here</u> to refer to the state-approved medication administration courses for adult care facilities.

Click <u>here</u> to refer to the state-approved infection control course for adult care facilities.

Adult Care Facility And Nursing Home Facility

A listing on the North Carolina Medication Aide Registry for Adult Care Homes does not qualify an individual to administer medications in a Nursing Home.

Medication Aide Registry For Adult Care Facilities

A listing on the North Carolina Medication Aide Registry for Adult Care Homes does not expire and does not need to be renewed.

Employer Responsibilities

Before allowing a Medication Aide to work in an adult care facility, the following activities must be completed.

- Verify that the individual is listed on the North Carolina Medication Aide Registry for Adult Care Homes.
- Verify that the individual has no <u>substantiated</u> findings on the North Carolina Health Care Personnel Registry.
- Keep a record of accessing the above registries in your business files (e.g., the date and confirmation number).
- A clinical skills validation, conducted by a Registered Nurse, is required before the Medication Aide performs medication administration tasks in an adult care facility.
- Complete the Medication Aide Verification Form for each Medication Aide. Click <u>here</u> to obtain the form.